

## <u>IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE</u>

Application of: MOORE et al.

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Title: Tissue Plasminogen Activator-Like Protease

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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Applicants have submitted herewith a request for a continued prosecution application (CPA) in the above case.

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

## In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph on page 7 at lines 9-13, beginning with the phrase "Figure 2 shows", with the following rewritten paragraph:

Figure 2 shows the regions of identity between the amino acid sequences of the t-PALP protein and translation product of the human mRNA for t-PA (residues 1-325 in SEQ ID NO:3), determined by the computer program Bestfit (Wisconsin Sequence Analysis Package, Version 8 for Unix, Genetics Computer Group, University Research Park, 575 Science Drive, Madison, WI 53711) using the default parameters.